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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: AF, PEPR
SUBJECT: BIO INFORMATION ON TARAQI

REF: KABUL 3372

1. DURING MY MEETING WITH PAK FOREIGN SECRETARY SHAHNAWAZ
MAY FIRST, FORSEC PASSED ON FOLLOWING COMMENT ABOUT NEW AFGHAN
PRESIDENT NOOR MOHAMMAD TARAQI.

2. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION PARALLEL TO REFTTEL, TARAQI WAS
PRESS ATTACHE AT AFGHAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. PAKS BELIEVE
THAT WHILE THERE HE MADE SEVERAL ANTI-MONARCHIST SPEECHES AND
CONSEQUENTLY ASKED FOR ASYLUM IN US. ALTHOUGH INITIAL USG
REACTION WAS TO AGREE, AFTER "INTENSE PRESSURE" FROM ZAHIR
SHAH, WE TURNED DOWN REQUEST, TARAQI RETURNED TO KABUL AND
WAS ARRESTED.

3. SHAHNAWAZ ASKED IF WE HAD ANYTHING ON THIS REPORT. I
SAID WE DID NOT AND, IN RESPONSE TO HIS REQUEST, AGREED
TO QUERY WASHINGTON. I WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION
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WHICH I COULD PASS TO FORSEC ABOUT ALLEGED ASYLUM REQUEST.
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